

Docket No. A2011-77

## Postal Regulatory Commission

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

### NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on September 16, 2011, the Commission received a petition for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the Martinsburg post office located in Martinsburg, New York. The petition for review was filed by the Citizens of Martinsburg (Petitioner) and is postmarked September 9, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than October 3, 2011.



Shoshana M. Grove  
Secretary

Date: September 20, 2011

Attachment

Postal Regulatory Commission  
Office of the Chief Admin. Officer

September 8, 2011

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POSTAL REGULATORY  
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. Granholm:

This letter is an appeal to “Final Determination to Close the Martinsburg, NY Post Office and Extend Service by Rural Route Service” – DOCKET # 1433801-13404.

We, the citizens of the Martinsburg, NY area do not agree with your decision and response reasons for closing the Martinsburg, NY Post Office.

Your projected economic savings are only \$19,162, your projected annual cost of replacement service is \$25,117.

Please consider the following options that can significantly reduce the Post Office’s projected annual costs of replacement:

- 1.) Suspend all retail sales and staffing at present post office, including Sat. service.
- 2.) Continue service to 86 PO rent paying boxholders.
- 3.) Have the present boxes serviced by rural route carrier. This will save time and create better efficiency so that the rural carrier does not have to make 86 different stops at 86 different locations. Also saves residents from cost of new mailboxes and address changes. It also keeps a “sense of community.” It would also eliminate the cost of removing the present physical post office.
- 4.) If you don’t agree with the rural carrier doing this, have a Lowville PO person load the PO boxes and pick up mail at this one location for the village.  
This would save 86 residents from travelling to Lowville and gives the community good PO service and still reduces further the annual operating costs to the US Post Office System.

These suggestions are already being done at other northern NY Post Offices!! Please consider this appeal as we have great pride in our Post Office and have always had a Post Office in our town for at least 100 years as Martinsburg was once the seat of Lewis County.

Respectfully submitted by the citizens of Martinsburg  
See list of signatures attached.

**PETITION TO APPEAL TO KEEP THE MARTINSBURG, NY 13404  
POST OFFICE OPEN !!!**

Final Decision  
dated 8/29/2011

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CONVENIENCE..... OR ANY OTHER ARRANGEMENT THAT WOULD KEEP IT OPEN !!

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Martinsburg, NY

Rita May Burrows

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